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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Draft Minutes of the 1 April 1976  
Intelligence Board Meeting

1. The attached draft minutes of the 1 April Intelligence Board meeting are submitted herewith for USIB consideration.

USIB ACTION REQUESTED

2. Board members are requested to advise the Secretariat by close of business 12 April 1976 of their approval or other views on the attached minutes.

Executive Secretary

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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of  
Seven-hundred-eighteenth Meeting  
United States Intelligence Board  
DCI Conference Room (7D64)  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1000 hours, 1 April 1976

Director of Central Intelligence  
Mr. George Bush  
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Edward W. Proctor, acting for Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
Mr. Martin Packmar, acting for Director of Intelligence and Research,  
Department of State  
Lieutenant General Eugene F. Tighe, Jr., USAF, Acting Director,  
Defense Intelligence Agency  
Mr. Benson K. Buffham, Acting Director, National Security Agency  
Mr. William N. Morell, Jr., Department of Treasury Representative  
to USIB  
Major General Edward B. Giller, USAF (Ret.), Energy Research and  
Development Administration Representative to USIB  
Mr. Vernon H. Weimar, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Representative to USIB

SERVICE OBSERVERS PRESENT

Major General Harold R. Aaron, USA, Assistant Chief of Staff,  
Intelligence, Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral Bobby R. Inman, USN, Director of Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Major General George J. Keegan, Jr., USAF, Assistant Chief of Staff,  
Intelligence, United States Air Force

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c. Follow-on to USIB

Mr. Bush said he had sensed a degree of uncertainty within the community with regard to the USIB. He said that his judgment at this point was that the USIB structure, which had been refined over many years, performed effectively, although some changes may be in order. He added that he believed the committees were made up of dedicated professionals and were continuing to discharge their assigned responsibilities. Mr. Bush stressed his intent to continue a community board structure and that this was currently under intensive review by the Intelligence Community Staff and others. Based on the comments from the USIB Principals and others, the IC Staff was developing a paper on the "Follow-on to USIB" which would be presented to the Board in the near future.

During this discussion, Mr. Morell suggested that it would be useful to have other agencies take part during deliberations on specific items before the CFI. Mr. Bush noted that, during the drafting process of the Executive Order, the question of observers to the CFI had been considered and rejected. This notwithstanding he recognized that Mr. Morell had raised a valid point, commenting that on occasion it may well be useful to have other agencies present for discussion of specific issues. Mr. Bush requested [redacted] to look into this matter.

1. The Outlook for Malaysia  
(NIE 54-1-76)

[redacted] the NIO for Japan/Pacific introduced this item, noting that the subject estimate had been requested by General Scowcroft last December.

Following a brief discussion of changes proposed by DIA and State the estimate was approved as amended.

No member raised objection to the release of this estimate to USIA.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Bush convened the Board in executive session at 1020 hours to discuss the following item:

2. Criteria for Intelligence  
Community Awards  
(USIB-D-2. 8/9, 15 March 1976)

Several members commented that the criteria, developed by the Review Panel for Intelligence Community Awards, were very well done. During the discussion, Dr. Proctor suggested that the subject criteria as well as DCID No. 1/18 be declassified.

The Board then:

- a. Approved the subject Criteria and agreed that they be issued in an unclassified document.
- b. Agreed that DCID No. 1/18, 12 July 1975, be declassified.
- c. Agreed that all pending nominations for Intelligence Community awards be returned to the originators for re-submission under the terms of the new criteria.

  
Executive Secretary

Adjournment: 1042 hours

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SECRETARY'S NOTES

1. Draft Minutes of the 4 March 1976  
Intelligence Board Meeting  
(USIB-M-717, 4 March 1976)

On 16 March all USIB members telephonically approved the subject minutes. A revised page 2, reflecting an editorial change, has been circulated as a Memorandum for Holders of USIB-M-717, 16 March 1976.

2. Approval of Estimates
  - a. Likelihood and Consequences of  
Further Conflicts in Southern  
Africa Over the Next Six Months  
(SNIE 70-1-76)
  - b. Prospects for and Implications of  
Conflict in the Horn of Africa Over  
the Next Year or So  
(SNIE 76-1-76)

On 11 and 15 March respectively all USIB members telephonically concurred in the subject estimates. The Office of the D/DCI/NIO has proceeded with their publication. Copies of these estimates were released to USIA on 26 March 1976.

3. Release of Volume I, Key Judgments  
and Summary, of NIE 11-3/8-75, "Soviet  
Forces for Intercontinental Conflict through  
the Mid-1980s"  
(Ref: USIB-M-708, 20 November 1975,  
Item 3. b. )

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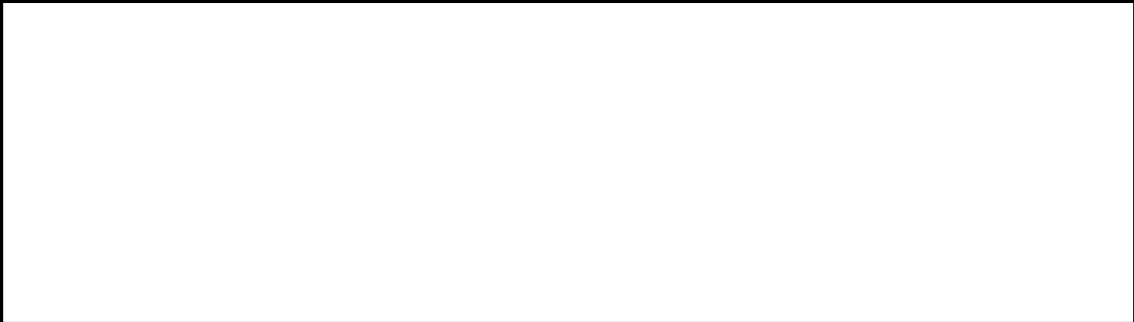


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4. USIB Policy Paper on Information  
Release to Contractors  
(USIB-D-71.8/3, 8 December 1975)

The subject paper was revised by the Security Committee to conform with DCID No. 1/7, effective 5 October 1975. All USIB agency members concurred with CIA and ERDA concurrences qualified. The recommended changes were incorporated into the draft subject paper and circulated to the members of the Security Committee with the request that their concurrences or comments reflect the views of their agency or department; unanimous concurrences were received.

Accordingly, the Director of Central Intelligence approved circulation for implementation and guidance of all concerned of "DCI Policy on Release of Foreign Intelligence to Contractors." This Policy Paper has been circulated as USIB-D-71.8/4, 12 March 1976, and also circulated to holders of the Intelligence Directives Handbook.



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6. Implementation of the Metric  
System of Units in Intelligence  
Community Reporting  
(USIB-D-27.8/5, 8 March 1976)

All USIB members on 27 March telephonically concurred in the proposals from the Metric Panel contained in the subject memorandum. The Office of the Chairman of the Metric Panel has been advised of this Board action.

7. Revision of Attachment to DCID No. 1/2,  
"U.S. Foreign Intelligence Priorities for  
Fiscal Years 1977-1981"  
(USIB-D-5.1/45, 4 February 1976)

On 27 March all USIB members telephonically concurred in the subject revision. The Treasury Member concurred with the recommendation that the subject attachment be thoroughly revised at an early date and also forwarded a number of suggested additions to the economic topics. In accordance with the discussion at the 4 March USIB meeting (USIB-M-717, Item 1) the priorities in the specific topical categories related to North Korea have been updated.

Accordingly, the Attachment to DCID No. 1/2 reflecting the above revisions will be circulated as USIB-D-5.1/46, 31 March 1976, and will also be printed in the established DCID format and disseminated at an early date to holders of the Intelligence Directives Handbook.

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